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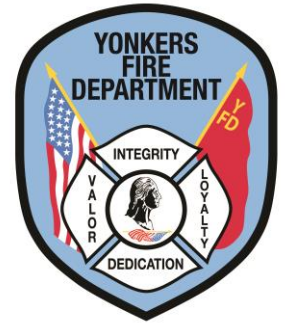
# CITY OF YONKERS FIRE DEPARTMENT

## FIRE PREVENTION

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### DECORATIVE VEGETATION AND RELIGIOUS DISPLAYS

In regards to decorative vegetation and religious displays, the following requirements are in accordance with the 2020 FIRE CODE OF NEW YORK STATE and shall be complied with at all times:

#### Open Flames

- Do not use in displays or any other use where they will be unattended .
- While in use during religious ceremonies:
  - Shall not be passed from person to person.
  - Devices shall be securely fastened in place to prevent overturning, and supported on a secure non-combustible base.
  - Shall not be positioned in aisles or exit paths or in areas where occupants stand or gather.
  - Shall not be located on or near decorative material or similar combustible materials.

#### Fuel Storage

- Do not store fuel of any type indoors. (Gasoline, propane, kerosene, etc.)

#### Fire Extinguishers

- Portable fire extinguishers shall be properly placed and maintained as per NFPA 10. Consult with your maintenance provider.

#### Decorative vegetation – Natural Cut

Prohibited in Group A, E, I-1, I-2, I-3, I-4, M, R-1, R-2 and R-4 occupancies

(Allowed within dwelling units of R-2. If sprinklered, allowed in Group A, E, M, R-1 and R-2)

- Cut ½” above or more above original cut.
- Support device shall avoid topping and hold 2 day water supply.
- Water level shall be checked once per day minimum and be 2” above fresh cut.
- Check vegetation daily for dryness. Remove when needles readily fall off or break if bent.
- Shall not be located within exit, corridor, or a lobby or vestibule.
- Keep distance from heat vents and any open flame or heat producing devices.
- Use of unlisted electrical wiring and lighting prohibited.

#### Decorative vegetation – Artificial

- Shall meet flame propagation performance of NFPA 701, Method 1 or 2. Refer to manufacturer.
- Required width of any portion of a means of egress shall not be obstructed.
- Candles or other open flames shall not be used on or near decorative vegetation.
- Use of unlisted electrical wiring and lighting prohibited.
- Electrical wiring and lighting prohibited if tree entirely made of metal.